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Sen. Allen announces ‘Hands Off The Mighty Mac’ town hall meeting

Who: State Sen. Jason Allen, R-Traverse City, and concerned residents and interested parties. Michigan Department of Transportation Director Gloria Jeff and members of the Mackinac Bridge Authority members have been invited.

What: Town hall meeting regarding the MDOT takeover of the Mackinac Bridge from the Bridge Authority.

When: Thursday, Sept. 1
7:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Where: Little Bear East Arena & Community Center
275 Marquette St.
St. Ignace

Briefing: Jeff has announced she is taking away the decades-long responsibilities of the Mackinac Bridge Authority based on her interpretation of attorney general opinions from the 1960s.

Allen is studying the attorney general opinions, and if necessary, will introduce legislation to restore the Mackinac Bridge Authority's ability to operate and manage the bridge.

This town hall meeting will allow residents to learn more about the MDOT plan for the bridge and provide an opportunity to make their views known.

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Editor's note: Comments from Sen. Allen may be downloaded from the Michigan Senate Republican Majority audiowire at:

<http://www.senate.michigan.gov/gop/audiowire/allen/index.htm>.